



City of Loma Linda Official Report

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COUNCIL AGENDA: December 14, 2004

TO: City Council

VIA: Dennis R. Halloway, City Manager

SUBJECT: Proclamation – Unforgettables December to Remember 2004



CITY OF LOMA LINDA, CA

PROCLAMATION
Unforgettables Foundation
5th Annual "December to Remember"
2004

WHEREAS, the Unforgettables Foundation, founded in 1999 in the Loma Linda/Redlands/San Bernardino area and a supporter of Loma Linda University Children's Hospital patient families, is sponsoring the 5th Annual "December to Remember" month and invites everyone in the community to participate in the "Lights for Little Lives Community March" on December 31st, starting at the Loma Linda Ronald McDonald House and ending at the Campus Hill Church with a "Ceremony of Remembrance"; and

WHEREAS, during the "Ceremony of Remembrance", the Unforgettables Foundation will present the "Christopher Kohlmeier" award in honor and recognition of a first responder who applied CPR to save a child's life, the "Unforgettables Pediatrician" award to a deserving pediatrician, and the "Founders Flames" award in recognition of an individual, family, business, and/or organization for their support of the Unforgettables; and

WHEREAS, the mission of the Unforgettables Foundation is to encourage communities to recognize the financial trauma often associated with the death of a child and the importance of a dignified burial regardless of their family's income; and

WHEREAS, the "December to Remember" Month goals are to celebrate all births, remember children who died in 2004, ask for healing of all children coping with a disease or disability, help protect children from domestic danger, and help communities with other challenges to the health and wholeness of children; and

WHEREAS, since its inception, the Unforgettables Foundation has assisted more than 500 families in the Inland Empire with burial expenses, and in 2004 have assisted 2 families in the City of Loma Linda and more than 100 families from Loma Linda University Children's Hospital with donations to local mortuaries to help with the burial expenses of premature infants, toddlers, children and young adults;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Karen Gaio Hansberger, Mayor of the City of Loma Linda, on behalf of the entire City Council, encourage the community to celebrate the births, consider the children who have fought and overcome illness and danger, commemorate all children who have died and remember that Every Child is Unforgettable.

SIGNED this 14th day of December 2004.

Karen Gaio Hansberger, Mayor